

PLATE VIII: SECTION OF A FOUR AND ONE-HALF FOOT TRENCH, YPRES
FRONT

The sketch shows the section of trench as constructed in the majority of the defense systems on the Flanders front. This trench was built in the same manner as described for the trench with six feet of cover but required less work.

The walk way in this trench became the fire step which made it difficult for parties to pass. It was, of course, necessary to walk in a bent position to avoid observation.

With but few exceptions all the trench work done by the Division in the Ypres and Canal Sectors was of this cross-section, with many type C shelters.